a ſort of diverſion, which, with ſo
miſſion, ſhe thought they might tak
and that was, that each ſhould r
late ſome ſtory for the entertainme
of the reſt.

Mrs. Lovewell declared in fav
of this motion, and added, "Th
if the young people would be ma
ful in their choice, it might prob
bly contribute to their delight, a
very likely alſo to their improv
ment."

Miſs Lucy having firſt ſtarted t
thought was deſired to ſet the exampl

on which, as ſhe found ſhe had the encouragement of Mrs. Lovewell and all preſent, ſhe proceeded in the following manner:

Somewhere in Weſtminſter there lived a tradeſman and his wife in good buſineſs, who had a ſon, called Billy, an only child, whom all the neighbours obſerved they indulged too much; and yet he was never the better for ſuch indulgence. He was always concerned in ſome unlucky trick, and one time, being ſent on a meſſage one ſummer's morning, which he

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